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Sir:

The Reissue Application identified above was filed on April 9, 2004 with an unsigned copy of Applicants' Offer to Surrender and Consent of Assignee. Enclosed is a copy of this document signed by Lars-Åke Forsberg who is Corporate Patent Manger on April 28, 2004.

It is requested that this document be considered during the examination of this application.

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Sir:

TETRA LAVAL HOLDINGS & FINANCE S.A., a corporation organized under the laws of Switzerland and having its principal place of business at 70, General-Guisan, CH-1009 Pully, Switzerland, and the owner by assignment of the entire title to United States Letters Patent No. 6,367,375 granted on April 9, 2002 and entitled "Apparatus for Cutting and Stirring Curd", hereby offers to surrender United States Letters Patent No. 6,367,375 and consents to the application for reissue of said Letters Patent.

Respectfully Submitted
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